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SUBJECT: FUNDING OF HKG CENTRAL ADDICT REGISTRY

REF: A) STATE 255464, B) STATE 23857, C) HONG KONG 11619

1. ACTING COMMISIONER FOR NARCOTICS RAFAEL, HUI, HAS BEEN IN TOUCH WITH CONGEN TO RELAY DEATILS OF CENTRAL ADDICT REGISTRY PROJECT AS REQUESTED REFTEL. APPARETNLY SOME CONFUSION HAS ARISEN REGARDING HKG FUNDING REQUEST. HKG HAS ALLOTED ALL COMPUTER FACILITIES AND ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT TO OPERATE THE PROJECT AND IS ONLY REQUESTING USG FUNDS FOR WERBILL'S CONSULTANCY. TO DATE THE HKG HAS APPROPRIATED US \$150,000 IN CAPITAL EXPENDITURE AND A TOTAL OF APPROXIMATELY US \$100,000 FOR THE PROJECT'S FIRST YEAR OF OPERATION.

2. THE HKG IS ASKING THAT WERBELL BE PLACED ON CONSUL-TATNT STATUS FOR TWELVE WEEKS IN THE UNITED STATES DEVISION THE NEW SYSTEM. AFTER THAT, HUI HAS REQUESTED THAT WERBELL TO SENT TO HONG KONG FOR AN ADDITIONAL TWELVE WEEKS IN ORDER TO OVERSEE THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE SYSTEM. HUI HAS INFORMED US THAT THE NEW COMPUTER FACILITY WILL NOT BE FINISHED UNTIL EARLY NEXT YEAR AND THAT THE HKG WOULD MOST BENEFIT FROM HAVING WERBELL ARRIVE IN HONG KONG SOMETIME IN JULY 1977. ADDITIONALLY, THE HKG IS REQUESTING THAT WERBELL BE SENT TO HONG KONG FOR A FUTHER FOUR WEEKS IN EARLY 1978 IN ORDER TO ANALYZE THE FIRST REPORTING PRODUCTS OF THE REGISTRY SYSTEM.

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3. THE HKG FEES THAT WERBELL'S INPUT IN THE PROJECT IS

ESSENTIAL AND THAT IT WOULD NOT BE DESIRABLE TO NEGOTIATE
FOR A DIFFERENT CONSULTANT,.

4. HKG IS MOST ANXIOUS TO REACH AN AGREEMENT IN PRINCIPLE
REGADRING THE FUNDING OF THE PROJECT AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.
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